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Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 17 September 2010, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 13th and 27th meetings, on 4 November and 23 December 2010. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/65/SR.13 and 27).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 (A/65/487);

(b) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/65/549).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/65/L.11

4. At its 27th meeting, on 23 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad" (A/C.5/65/L.11), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Switzerland.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/65/L.11 without a vote (see para. 6).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011,[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1778 (2007) of 25 September 2007, by which the Council had established in Chad and the Central African Republic a multidimensional presence, including a United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1923 (2010) of 25 May 2010, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 31 December 2010, decided to reduce the military component of the Mission to 2,200 military personnel and called upon the Secretary-General to complete withdrawal of all uniformed and civilian components, other than those required for the Mission's liquidation, by 31 December 2010,

Recalling also its resolution 62/233 A of 22 December 2007 on the financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 64/286 of 24 June 2010,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad as at 1 November 2010, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 91.5 million United States dollars, representing some 6 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only forty-seven Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

[1] A/65/487.
[2] A/65/549.

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States that have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

3. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions[1] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Reaffirms* section XX of resolution 61/276 of 29 June 2007, and encourages the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad and other United Nations missions in the region to continue, where possible, the efforts to achieve greater synergies, while bearing in mind that individual missions are responsible for the preparation and implementation of their own budgets and for controlling their own assets and logistical operations;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007 and 64/269 of 24 June 2010;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

12. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad the amount of 239,096,600 dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011, inclusive of 205,748,500 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2010 and 33,348,100 dollars for the administrative liquidation of the Mission for the period from 1 January to 30 April 2011, taking into account the amount of 215 million dollars previously authorized for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2010 under the terms of General Assembly resolution 64/286;

Financing of the appropriation

13. *Also decides*, taking into account the amount of 184,949,000 dollars already apportioned among Member States under the terms of General Assembly resolution 64/286, to defer its decision on additional apportionment for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 until its consideration of the final requirements for the Mission, to be submitted in the context of the performance report for the same period;

14. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

15. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

16. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

17. *Decides* to keep under review during its sixty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad".